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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 22 January 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-57 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-57 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 22 January 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. **Claim(s) 1-57** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Shtivelman et al. (US 6,320,951 B1).

Regarding **claim(s) 1, 14, 22, 27, 32, 44, 51 and 55-57**, Shtivelman discloses a network device adapted to process a call between the network device and a first other network device (column 1, lines 14-21), the network device comprising:

a user interface adapted to receive a user input requesting a call transfer to a second other network device (column 6, lines 27-34); and

a call transfer function responsive to the user input to deliver call transfer functionality by, upon receipt of the user input (column 6, lines 35-51):

a) initiating a connection from the network device to the second other network device (column 6, lines 52-67); and

b) sending a first message to the first other network device containing a reference to the second other network device (column 6, lines 52-67).

Regarding **claim(s) 2, 15, 23, 28, 33, 45 and 52**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the call transfer function is further adapted to, upon receipt of the input: (c) send a second message to the first other network device to place the call on hold (column 6, lines 27-34).

Regarding **claim(s) 3, 16, 24, 29, 34, 46 and 53**, Shtivelman discloses a network device comprising a call processing module adapted to process the call, the call processing module comprising the call transfer function (column 6, lines 27-34).

Regarding **claim(s) 4, 17, 25, 30, 35, 47 and 54**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the first message contains a reference to the connection (column 6, lines 27-34).

Regarding **claim(s) 5, 18, 26, 31, 36 and 48**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the call transfer function is adapted to send the second message after a user at the network device hangs up or presses a transfer key (column 6, lines 52-67).

Regarding **claim(s) 6, 19, 37 and 49**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the call processing module is adapted to terminate the call upon receiving a message from the first other network device, which represents that the first other network device has established a media path with the second other network device (column 6, lines 52-67).

Regarding **claim(s) 7, 20, 38 and 50**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the call processing module is adapted to send the first message before or after a media path is established with the second other network device (column 6, lines 52-67).

Regarding **claim(s) 8, 21 and 39**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the first message is sent upon receipt of a response from the second other network device and wherein upon receipt of the response from the second network device, and prior to sending the first message to the first other network device containing a reference to the connection, the call processing module is adapted to establish a media path between the network device and the second other network device (column 6, lines 52-67).

Regarding **claim(s) 9 and 40**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the call processing module is adapted to send the first message to the first other network device upon a user input from a user at the network device hanging up or pressing a transfer key, the first message being sent before or after the media path between the network device and the second other network device is established (column 6, lines 52-67).

Regarding **claim(s) 10 and 41**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the call processing module is further adapted to process another call from the network

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device to a first network device other than the network device; the call processing module being further adapted to participate in a call transfer of the other call by: a) responding to a message from the first network device to be placed on hold with a message accepting the hold (column 7, lines 1-12); b) responding to a message from the first network device containing a reference to a second network device other than the network device and the first network device by sending a message to the second network device containing a reference to the first network device so as to initiate setting up a connection from the network device to the second network device (column 7, lines 13-24).

Regarding **claim(s) 11 and 42**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the a call processing module is further adapted to participate in a call transfer of an other call from a first network device other than the network device to a second network device other than the network device and the first network device by: a) responding to a message from the second network device initiating a connection between the network device and the second network device by sending a message indicating that the connection has been initiated (column 7, lines 25-44); and b) responding to a message from the first network device containing a reference to the second network device by replacing the connection between the network device and the second network device with another connection between the network device and the first network device (column 7, lines 25-44).

Regarding **claim(s) 12 and 43**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the network device is one of a telephone, a video phone, a PDA, a soft phone, a wireless device, a wireless telephone, and a cell phone (column 6, lines 52-67).

Regarding **claim(s) 13**, Shtivelman discloses a network device wherein the network device is a VoIP telephone (column 7, lines 25-44).

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gerald Gauthier whose telephone number is (571) 272-7539. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Fan Tsang can be reached on (571) 272-7547. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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